GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services - Forest Department – Disciplinary action against Sri S. Pothu Raju, ABO(Retd.), formerly Krishnapuram of Chintapalli Range– Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Inquiry finalized and findings received - Provisional decision to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of (3) years - Show-Cause-Notice issued – Explanation received – Final Orders –Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 30 Dated: 17-03-2016

Read the following:

1. From the Prl.CCF Ref.No.40999/2013/ Vig-2, dt.21.11.2014.
2. Govt.Memo.No.7124/For.IV/A1/2014, Dated: 31-12-2014.
3. From the Prl.CCF Ref.No.40999/2013/Vig-2, dt.28.07.2015.
4. Govt.Memo.No.7124/For.IV/A1/2014, Dated: 28-09-2015.
5. From the Prl.CCF Ref.No.40999/2013/Vig-2, dt.30.09.2015.
6. Govt. Letter No.7124/For.IV/A1/2014, Dated:19.01.2016.
7. From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr.No.155/DC&C/2/2016, dt.29.02.2016.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has informed that an Article of Charge was issued to Sri S.Pothu Raju, Assistant Beat Officer (Retired), by the Divisional Forest Officer vide Ref. No. DFO, Narsipatnam Rc.No.1807/08/N6, dt.11.07.08, on the following count:-

Article-1 "Sri S.Pothu Raju, Assistant Beat Officer, Krishnapuram of Chintapalli Range has shown gross negligence in discharging legitimate duties large scale destruction of forest worth of Rs.95,858/-"

2. The Charged Officer acknowledged the Article of Charge and submitted his explanation on 27-09-2008. Not satisfied with the explanation of the Charged Officer, the Chief Conservator of Forests Visakapatnam appointed (under Rule 24) Dy. Conservator of Forests (GIS) and the Divisional Forest Officer, Flying Squad Visakhapatnam as common Inquiry Officer & Presenting Officer respectively, vide his Proc.No.6427/08/M8, dt.31.12.08.

3. The Inquiry Officer submitted findings in which he concluded that the Charge is proved vide Rc.No.6427/08/M8, dt.29.11.2013. The findings were communicated to the Charged Officer vide CCF Rc.No.6427/2008/M8(iii) dt:02-08-2010 and the Charged Officer submitted his further defense statement dt:26-08-2010.

4. The Charged Officer retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.10.2010 AN. Hence, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

5. After careful examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the COI, the remarks of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, it is observed that the charges framed against the Charged Officer are held proved and it is provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of (3) years on the charged officer Sri S. Pothu Raju, ABO (Retd),formerly Krishnapuram of Chintapalli Range, under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Accordingly a Show Cause Notice was issued to the retired charged officer vide ref. 2nd read above. The Charged Officer had submitted his explanation to the Show Cause Notice through the reference 5th read above in which he has he has not put forth any new points.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose a penalty of 2% cut in pension for a period of (3) years on the charged officer Sri S. Pothu Raju, ABO (Retd), formerly Krishnapuram of Chintapalli Range, under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.(with original records, Rc.No.6427/08/M8, in III vol.)
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.
The Prl.Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad
(with ref. to Lr.No.155/DC&C/2/2016, dt.29.02.2016).
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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER